Agriculture Co-ordination Committee

3363. SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVI BARUPAL:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRIMOOL CHAND MEENA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister has constituted a high level Agriculture Co-ordination Committee to focus on policy related matters and development in the farming sector,

(b) if so, the total members appointed in this Committee;

(c) whether the Committee will identify key areas on agriculture that require fresh policy initiatives, outline follow up actions for policies adopted;

(d) the other aspects of the Committee that will be considered; and

(e) by what time the panel is likely to submit its recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) An Agriculture Coordination Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister, to evolve a systematic approach to policy formulation on issues pertaining to agriculture and to promote inter-sectoral and inter-departmental co-ordination in planning and implementation. The composition of the Committee is as follows:—

1. Prime Minister: *Chairman*
2. Minister for Agriculture and Food & Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs
3. Minister for Chemicals and Fertilizers
4. Minister of Finance
5. Minister for Commerce & Industry
6. Minister for Water Resources
7. Minister of Rural Development
8. Minister of Panchayati Raj

9. Minister of State for Food Processing

10. Minister of State for Science & Technology

11. Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission

12. Chairman, Economic Advisory Council

13. Chairman, National Commission on Farmers

14. Member (Agriculture), Planning Commission

15. Principal Secretary to PM: *Convenor*

Secretaries of the Ministries/Departments concerned would be permanent invitees. The Chairman could invite any Minister/Officer depending upon the context.

(c) to (e) The Committee may commission specialized studies depending upon the requirements which arise from time to time and is engaged in the following tasks:

(i) Identify key areas that require fresh policy initiatives, particularly those of an inter-sectoral nature.

(ii) Outline the follow-up action that needs to be taken to implement identified policy initiatives.

(iii) Identify institutional mechanism to implement policies and programmes.

(iv) Monitor key policy initiatives.

(v) To oversee and coordinate the integrated implementation of those recommendations of the National Commission on Farmers that are accepted by the Government.

Jakhu Fishery Harbour

3364. SHRI LEKHRAJ BACHANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has requested to grant Rupees 4148 lacs borne by it against 100 per cent Central assistance as the Central Government have accorded approval for Jakhu Fishery Harbour under 100 per cent Centrally Sponsored Scheme in May, 1993;